

RUSS REBELS BRING PEACE

British Publication Credits
Bolsheviki with Restoring
Prewar Conditions.

London, Dec. 24.—Capping a growing wave of suspicion, evidenced in the Liberal British press during the past month, the New Statesman makes the sensational announcement in its current issue that the Bolsheviki, supported now by many former opponents, are effecting a real restoration of Russia and Russian order.

The New Statesman is regarded as a sober and serious publication with a large contribution among Liberal intellectuals. The article has undoubtedly heightened the spreading impression that the full truth has not yet come out of Russia.

"Order is more thoroughly re-established in Russia now than at any time since the fall of Czarism," said the New Statesman.

"Food distribution is better organized than at any time during the whole war. Factories are rapidly starting up as fast as raw materials can be obtained.

"Management of the factories by committees failed for obvious reasons. Management by the Soviets with consultative committees of employers has been substituted with growing success.

The Bolsheviki, though hampered by undesirable tools, are cleaning the country of bribery and corruption. Terror has ceased. It has been greatly exaggerated. If Nikolai Lenin had not been in bed as the result of a wound there would have been no terror in Moscow. During the terror there were 400 executions of which sixty per cent were by Soviets. Inefficiency is being remedied by rapid recruiting from educated classes.

"The Red army has become a real disciplined force, with a new spirit of revolutionary and national enthusiasm. Its numbers are uncertain but there are at least 600,000 men in its ranks. It has rifles, machine guns and ammunition in plenty, but little artillery. No Russian army has a chance against it. It has experienced success since September.

"The invading British army which six months ago would have found many friends now finds only a very few. These are mostly property owners.

"Where the White guards (anti-Bolsheviks) temporarily occupied districts, they have carried out 'terrors' on a scale the Red Guards never dreamed of.

"Any government established by us will need the support of foreign bayonets."

KAISER'S WAR AIDS HAVE FLED GERMANY

Ludendorff in Sweden, Tirpitz in Switzerland, Boy-Ed in Baltic.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—(Delayed)—The foremost exponents of German militarism on land and sea, are now definitely known to have followed the Kaiser into exile.

Gen. Ludendorff, former commander-in-chief of the German armies, is hiding in Sweden, it was revealed today.

Admiral von Tirpitz, father of submarine "triflingness" recently fled to Switzerland, where he is living in seclusion. The location of his residence is kept secret.

Several of Germany's principal espionage and propaganda agents also have fled Germany. Capt. von Papen, former military attaché of the German embassy in Washington, is still serving with the army in the U-boat plot against Scandinavia and Holland. Von Papen's co-worker, Capt. Boy-Ed, former naval attaché at Washington, left the foreign office several months ago as commander of a warship in the Baltic. He is believed to have retired to some island in that sea.

NEW YORK POLICEMEN VICTIMS OF BANDITS

Thieves Steal from Headquarters; Robber Rides Off in Police Patrol.

New York, Dec. 24.—The Jesse James business has become so good in New York that the police have been forced to take measures for their own safety.

Early today a bandit stepped into a police department tin lizzie and chugged contentedly away. This followed a theft of \$400 worth of electrical fixtures from headquarters.

Now its got to stop. Orders have been issued that no one will be allowed to leave headquarters with a bundle unless he has written consent, and all doors to the building but two have been locked and flagged "Forbidden."

These two robberies followed thefts of unusual daring and violence. The only arrest was made when a policeman was taken into custody after holding up a saloon. He admitted he believed he was "going dippy."

Col. Geo. Harvey Against Everything in General

New York, Dec. 24.—"Hang the Kaiser" was the stand of Col. George Harvey, editor of the North American Review, here today.

In a speech to the New England Society of New York, he also urged the German nation be made to pay an indemnity which would insure \$2,000,000,000, criticized President Wilson's trip to Europe, and deplored efforts to form a league of nations.

OPPOSE ALLIED OCCUPATION.

Hungarians Show Disposition to Disregard Terms of Armistice.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—The Hungarian Ministry was reported today to have declared its opposition to occupation of Hungary by the Allies.

The ministers are understood to have asked the Allies if they intend to occupy the entire country, threatening to resign in a body if the answer is affirmative.

Count Karolyi, Hungarian premier, was reported recently to have announced his intention of resigning, owing to the political situation.

Want Catalonia Autonomous.

Barcelona, Dec. 24.—Catalonian deputies who recently withdrew from the Spanish Parliament, have drawn up an autonomy plan for the province of Catalonia, which will be presented to the government, it was reported today.



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